

**Fifth-Grade Narrative Direct Writing Assessment**  
**December 2005**

**TEACHERS: PLEASE READ THIS PAGE ALOUD TO THE STUDENTS.**

- You have ninety (90) minutes to complete the writing process.
- Think carefully about what you are going to write before you begin your rough draft.
- Complete your final draft on the provided response form.
- You may use a classroom dictionary or thesaurus.
- You must use **Black Ink**.
- Write neatly. Draw a line through any error and rewrite. Do not use a white correction pen or fluid.
- When you have finished your story, reread it to make sure that you have said what you want to say.
- Have fun!

**Narrative Prompt Background:**

Everyone faces challenges. A challenge can be a task you have to complete, a competition, or a problem you have to solve. We face challenges at home, at school, and in our community.

**Focus:**

Think about a time when you faced a challenge. What was the challenge? In what ways did you respond to the challenge? How successful were you at meeting the challenge?

**Writing Assignment:**

Write a story for your teacher about a challenge you faced and how you handled this challenge.